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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of

Phillip j. Kellman

Application No. 10/020,718

Filed: December 14, 2001

Attorney Docket No. 42055/SAH/K415

: DECISION GRANTING PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed March 10, 2005, under 37 CFR 1.137(f) which is treated as a petition to revive the above-identified nonprovisional application under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner states that the present nonprovisional application is the subject of a foreign or international application filed on December 13, 2002. However, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was unintentionally not notified of this filing within 45 days subsequent to the filing of the subject application in a foreign country.

In view of the above, this application became abandoned pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) and 37 CFR 1.213(c) for failure to timely notify the Office of the filing of an application in a foreign country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.

A petition under 37 CFR 1.137(f) must be accompanied by:

- (1) the reply which is met by the notification of such filing in a foreign country or under a multinational treaty;
- (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and
- (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date of the reply until the filing of a grantable petition was unintentional.

The present petition has been found to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.137(f). Accordingly, the failure to timely notify the Office of a foreign or international filing within

45 days after the date of filing of such foreign or international application as provided by 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(I) has been rescinded. A publication date will be communicated to the applicants in due course.

The petition fee in the amount of \$1500.00 has been charged to deposit account no. 03-1728 per the authorization in the petition.

This matter is referred to Technology Center 3714 for further examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned Petitions Attorney at (571) 272-3212.

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